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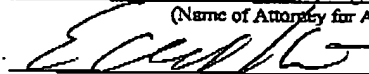
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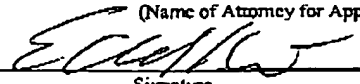
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This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated January 6, 2006. Claims 1, 3 to 9, 11 to 34, 36 to 42 and 44 to 64 remain pending in the application, of which Claims 1, 6, 9, 14, 17 to 19, 26, 34, 39, 42, 47, 50 and 57 are independent. For convenience, all of Claims 1, 3 to 9, 11 to 34, 36 to 42 and 44 to 64 are reproduced below in the Patent Office's revised format for Amendments. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

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